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A TALK WITH THE MEMBERS

Will the members of the Corner please say if they should like to have the prizes awarded by the members themselves. If they favor it The Bulletin has no objection to distributing the prizes monthly by vote.

The letters of this week are of a pleasing variety, and cover a broad field. They are most meritorious and acceptable, and The Bulletin thanks "Who" for her clever disclosed of "the Fourth prize." There were so many letters that we were obliged to hold over a few for next week. This explains why some are missing.

We extend special thanks to these loyal and fruitful members who write week after week, doing yeoman's work and never uttering a complaint whether they receive a prize or not.

Prize Awards for January

Clara of Canterbury, "Cakes and Puddings,"-Ist prize, \$2.50. "Who" of Norwich." Fourth Prize"-2nd prize, \$1.50. "Ma" of Uncasville, "How to Set a Hen"-3rd price, \$1.06.

The Social Corner is more than a domestic corner for it contains food the mind and cheering words for weary hearts. May it never be less.

Norwich.

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THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

HETTIE MARIA.

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FRIENDS.

Editor Social Corner: I would like to say just a few words in regard to the word friend. Some people can make friends easily, while others cannot. But still one true friend is better than a host of quick-made friends.

There is an old saying, "Laugh and

the world laughs with you; weep and you weep alone," which is true. Now comes in the true friend and comforts

you or will work for you in your time

Or, if it is your finances that embar-

rasses you in your time of need, that friend will advance the money to help

you. But how many of your quick-made friends will come forward? Not

next to one's own family. Will some of the sisters in the Corner write their opinion on this?

TO SUCCESSFULLY SET A HEN.

A MOTHER.

GOOD COUNSEL.

sisters of the Social Corner: criticism does one good, but in an unkindly spirit with mai-d envy in its very tone, not only ice and envy in its very tone, not only huris and grieves the one it is intended for, but it hardens the heart of the critic and makes her even more ready to do the same thing again. Let this Corner be free from any unkind feelings for the editor or any of its contributors. Let love and good will fill all our hearts. "Pleasant words are as homeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones." Many hearts can be brightened, and rough roads made smooth by human kindness. There are many hearts that are aching for kind and tender words. Let us speak them freely, for words soft, kind and loving make joy and sunshine in the heart. And at the beginning of this new year, as we turn to a new leaf, let us not write long resolutions, or spend much time in remodeling old ones, but simply try and make this year a little

If you want a dainty and enjoyable desert, try Apple Snow: Pare and grate three apples, beat the white of one ogg very stiff, add to it a half cup of sugar; stir all together, beat ten minutes, flavor with vanilla or lemon; serve with whipped cream, sugar and flavoring.

TIMELY HOUSEHOLD SUGGES-TIONS.

M. ROENA.

Editor Secial Corner: It is just between seasons and many careful and systematic housewives are getting the spring sewing well in hand, so that sewing and cleaning will not both ceme together. The homemaker could get more time to enjoy the spring days if there was not such a rush of work for April and May.

Every woman is richly repaid for the time spent in putting in flower seeds to enjoy in blossoming time. It is an exportunity to get out of doors, and some of us owe our good health and endurance to the fact that we will take time to get fresh air regularly.

Since gardening, cleaning and sew-g cannot be done to the best ad-intage when all taken together, why of start with the sewing? And each the others will fall into its proper

Several dollars may be saved some seasons by making necessary purchases when the celaring sales are in progress. I get staple colors and materials, choosing patterns that are in good savie always, then there is no great risk at the bargain counter. Don't you think it a good plan to let someone else buy the peculiar colors and test the new fabrics? If the things are really good they will be on the counters more than one year.

Quarter cup mixed nuts; haif cup nugar; one cup molasses; one cup sour nilk; one and a haif level teaspoons oda; one teaspoon each salt and cinumon; one-third teaspoon cloves; hree cups flour; three-quarters cup aims cut in pieces. Bake about fif-

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get quiet.

I hope all who try this way will have good luck; but don't forget the moral in the back of the old blue spelling book, "Don't count your chickens before they are hatched."

TESTED CAKE RECIPES.

Editor Social Corner: Herewith lend recipes for cake and other things: Apple Cream Cake One egg and yolk of another, one cup of sugar, a tablespoon of butter, one cup of milk, two teaspoons of baking powder, two cups of flour. Bake in layers. Cream for filling: One grated apple, white of one egg, one cup of powdered sugar, flavor with vanilla; beat for twenty

Walnut and Raisin Filling—Two-thirds cup of English walnuts and raisins, chopped; add beaten white of one egg, two tablespoons cream, one-third cup of sugar, pinch of salt, spread between layers. Make icing for top and place half walnuts on it. CLARA OF CANTERBURY.

THE FOURTH PRIZE.

To Prevent Water Pipes Freezing— In case we get that cold, hard winter weather that has been predicted, try the following plan: Get plenty of newe-paper folded over pipes, with extra thickness where the pipes run close to the cellar wall. I think this is a real Dear Editor: I enjoy the Corner so much. It is always with a sigh of contentment that I sit down in my Morris chair after a busy morning and visit a while with the sisters in their corner. There the atmosphere is so cheerful, so helpful that I soon forget aching feet and tired body. The very fact that we do not know who is who adds to the interest to me. But what I like best of all is the friendly note which characterizes most of the letters. It made me feel badly then, to learn in your paper of Saturday, December 30, first that just a little bit of discontent had entered our circle. It made me feel like writing to that person (if we only knew who was who) in the friendliest way, a letter that would

threatened cold or sore throat, or any-thing of the sort, half a wineglassful of the solution settles it. Three doses two hours apart will break up a most obstinate cold er give softness and ease to the severest sore throat. Editor Social Corner: I would like to tell what smoke will do for a fresh wound or an old sore. I have used it for years for children and grown people and all kinds of farm animals:

orses, dogs and poultry, and have ound it one of the best of remedies. 'he smoke from old leather, old shoes cut up in pleces, wool or sugar. I have generally used wool—a piece of woolen cloth will do if you have no ruary 2d will soon be here. Then is the time, Candelmas Day, when, ac-cording to tradition, we may have safely used half our coal and half our Put some ashes in an old pail or pan, a few coals; put an old piece of carpet or bag around it to keep the smoke on the sore, and smoke 15 or 29 minutes. It will ease the pain like safely used half our coal and half our hay. I do not know why this should not be applied equally well to the contents of the preserve closet. Indeed, I believe many thrifty housewives are taking a mental inventory of jams and jellies, in some cases, perhaps, with a fear that the supply will not last until next preserving season. It is for these I am writing, though I think many will want to try my recipe for grape fruit drawing or heeling, has been used, it should be all washed off before smoking. Bandage it if necessary. I have used it long enough to know it will save much suffering.

HETTIE MARIA. want to try my recipe for grape fruit marmalade, for it is easily made, in-expensive (13 tumblers cost me less than sixty cents), juscious, and it has

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A great many are your friends as long as you are well and can join with long as you are well and can join with you in your pleasures, but when sorrow one nound of sugar to each pint of you in your pleasures, but when sorrow comes upon you somehow they disap-pear or are so busy or didn't know of

ing (24 hours). Then measure: add one pound of sugar to each pint of juice and bed until it jellies.

I would remind those whose winter supply of canned fruits is getting low, of the dried fruits which your grocer can always supply, prunes and apricots, which piece out very nicely: of apples, which are usually accessible and always good, stwed or baked—who would ask for a more dainty or choicer relish than baked apple and cream?—and of oranges and bananas, which may be sliced separately, or they may be cut up together, sprinkled with sugar and shredded cocoanut, and, as in the receipt books, called Ambrosia.

Norwich.

Social Corner Scrap Book

ENGLISH HOT POT.

Fry a chopped onion in two tables, spoons of drippings or butter in a skillet or broad, shallow pot and lay in a pint of cooked or raw beef cut in one-inch cubes and dredge in flour. When the pieces are brown on both sides pour in gradually a pint or more of hot water or stock and a tablespoon of tomato catsup and vinegar. Stew gently for one hour, then add three potatoes, a stalk of celery, a carrot and a turnip, all cut the same size as the beef, a bouquet of sweet herbs and salt and pepper to taste. Stew one hour more, then serve like soup in a tureen. More liquid may be added as it cooks away.

PRUE.

FOWL AND CHICKENS.

Fricasses of Fowl—Take a fowl as plump and tender as you can get. Clean it thoroughly and wash inside and out in saleratus water, wipe dry, rub inside with dry saleratus, not too much, and let lay over night. The next morning wash off the soda, cut up taking pains to distoint it properly.

one egg, one cup of powdered sugar, flavor with vanilla; beat for twenty minutes.

Eggless Cookies—One cup of sugar, cream, one cup of milk, one and one half cups of sugar, three cups of flour, one teaspoon of soda.

Coffee Cake—One cup of sugar, one half cup of butter, well mixed together, one-half teaspoon of soda dissolved in one cup of hot coffee, three cups of flour, two teaspoons of haking powder, one cup chopped raisins, one cup currants, spice to taste. Bake slowly.

Eggless Cookies—One cup of sugar, one cup of thick sour milk, one teaspoon of soda dissolved in a little hot water, pinch of salt, flour to roll.

Ginger Snaps—Into a coffee cup put one teaspoon of soda, three tablespoons of boiling water, three tablespoons of melted lard, Fill the cup with molasses, add one tablespoon of ginger, one-half teaspoon of cinnamon; add flour to roll.

Walnut and Raisin Filling—Two-thirds cup of English wainuts and thirds cup of English wainuts and their cup of sugar, pinch of salt, spread between layers. Make icing for top and place half wainuts on it.

CLARA OF CANTERBURY.

South Canterbury.

Smothered Chicken—If you like onlons, try this: Cut a fowl in places to
serve, put in fron kettle (casserole
would be better if you have one), with
teaspoon of salt and boiling water to
cover. Let it come to a boil on top of
stove, then put in moderate oven and
cook (covered tightly) five or six hours.
If water cooks away, more should be
added and if the top pieces get brown
turn them over so they will not get

nature, has never warmly welcomed the use of automobiles by students and it has been said that nothing has tended to set up "class distinctions' more than the motor car. It has been more than the motor car. It has been an unwritten law for some time that a student seeking admission to any of the large college fraternities should not own an auto before he reached his senior year. The college authorities have been almost unanimous in the belief that the possession of an automobile by a student led the owner into temptations and dissipations which he would not ordinarily meet with.

Many a student who lost his diplomatic could chalk up "joy rides" as the chief reason, and not a few have come to disgrace and death through the ownership of a motor car.

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Leavenworth Bequests at New Haven -Franklin Was Donor's Exemplar.

According to accurate estimates of those associated with the late Elisha Leavenworth of New Haven, the estate left by him will total between \$600,000 and \$700,000, with the probability of it running beyond or below these figures. It is estimated that the amount of the estate left after the be-

\$189,000, the total amount of the be-quests being \$506,300.

That the estate will not reach the That the estate will not reach the \$1,000,000 attributed to be the value of Mr. Leavenworth's holdings is conceded. The property and money accumulated by Mr. Leavenworth was secured through thrift and business ability, which, as he stated in the opening paragraph of his will, was the result of a "long and fruitful life."

He practiced economy along various



CENSUS FARM REPORTS AND EXPOSITION TESTS.

who can manage \$3 acres.

But in these very figures is to be found an illustration of how misleading the talk of "averages" is when applied to individual cases. You see, there are some farms of an acre and some of over a thousand acres. When you come to add 'em all together and bunch 'em up and shake out an average, you get about \$2 acres. But when you examine the detailed reports you'll find that 18,616 are of \$9 acres or less and only 7,815 of a hundred acres or more. Indeed, you'll find that 12,019 are of less than 50 acres each,—almost one-half of the whole number. There are 228 farms of over 500 acres each,—40 of over a thousand acres. These big ranches unduly affect the averages which you get when you include them in the "figgerin". In the ten years between 1900 and 1910 there was an increase of only about seven per cent. In the number of farms having less than 50 acres, while there was an increase in the number of thousand-acre farms in the same ten years from 26 to 40,—a gain of 54 per cent. This isn't a metter for congratulation. sand-acre farms in the same ten years from 26 to 40,—a gain of 54 per cent. This isn't a matter for congratulation In a state so densely populated as Connecticut, a state with so many insistent markets all over it, a state which doesn't produce one-quarter of what it consumes, the need of the times is for little farms, well-tilled, intensely cultivated, and made productive to the last limit of the last inch in the last fence-corner. Thousand-acre ranches are out of place in Nutmeg-dom.

slacked lime and cover it well and pack it around the pipes where frozen, and shad it is the friendly not which characterises most of the letres to the lime which characterises most of the letres to the white property is the water point of the white points are the white points and the silce while hot and put them in a butter of both of the points white points are the points of the points and the silce while hot and put them in a butter of both white points white po

pared, whether it would be found that there had been an increase of anything like 62 per cent. in them? It certainly would seem as if there ought to have been, in simple justice, if the farmer has had to pay that much more in wages. It's only from what he gets for his crops that he obtains the money wherewith to pay wages.

Connecticut farmer, while he was soaked 62 per cent, more for labor, deliberately bought and applied 79 per cent, more fertilizer than in 1909. This seems to indicate that he knows what cent. more fertilizer than in 1909. This seems to indicate that he knows what sort of trees make shingles. He has caught on to the great truth that, if it is going to cost him more to raise and harvest his stuff, he must, somehow, get more stuff off an acre. One way to do that is to put on more fertilizer,—slam it on with a shovel instead of dribble it from a teaspoon. Sometimes it happens that the cheapest way to stop money leaking off the farm is to stuff a few more dollar-bills into the leak. This won't invariably work. I'm free to admit. "Sending good money after bad" isn't always sound business sense. The practice certainly has a bad name. But some mighty ill-reputed and disgraceful looking pups are said to be good coon-dogs. If you're looking after coon, it isn't so much the dog's points that count as his ability to get the coon. There are exceptions to all rules. I think, myself, that it shows good farming sense, as labor cost goes up on farmers, for them to increase their fertilizer exthat it shows good farming sense, as labor cost goes up on farmers, for them to increase their fertilizer expenses. It really won't cost much more in labor to care for an acre of eighty bushel corn than for one of forty bushels. And, if Mr. Farmer-Man can get the bigger crop by generous use of fertilizers, can get it without spending all the value of the increase for the manures, isn't he thereby providing the extra funds for wages?

Speaking of corn, reminds me of something which hasn't any relation to the census reports, but what was brought out at the recent New England Corn Exposition. That is a fact, now seemingly settled beyond reasonable controversy, that our old-fashioned New England flint corn is a better and risher corn than any other variety. The buncombe stories which float eastward from the big western corn-fields have made some of us wonder whether we couldn't do better by veering over to the western dent corns. One of the big prizes offered at the late exposition was for the best acre crop, valued according to its

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I've been looking over the preliminary report of the census bureau on Connecticut agricultural statistics. Some of the facts brought out are quite interesting. Some are more than that,—they are highly suggestive. For instance, the bureau reports that there are 26,431 farms in the state, with a total acreage of 2,176,900 acres. This seems to be an average of about 85 acres to each farm, which is a very sensible size. Considering the general character of Connecticut farms. I think it is safe to say that there age more men who can't properly take care of \$2 acres than there are men who can manage \$3 acres.

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Of course, there's such a thing as being too old-fogyish about our crops and too set in our insistence on old routines. But it rayther looks as if the old fellows who used to raise flint eorn in New England knew what they were about. They probably neither knew nor cared anything about protein, but they knew very well when a steer was fat, and when the milk-pail was running-over full. I suspect that we old hayseeds have understood well enough, all along, that flint corn was the thing for us to raise. Perhaps, now that the chemists of the agricultural experiment stations have shown the same fact, by their tests and analyses, the younger and more ultra-scientific of our descendants will also accept it. Well, it doesn't make much difference whether they take the old man's word for it or the professor's dictum, as long as as they fall into line and nait their colors to a flint-corntassel, the results will be about the same, whatever the motive and spring of action.

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On the whole, I think the tendencies as shown by the census reports and exposition tests are distinctly favorable. The abnormal percentage of increase in thousand-acre places is the only discordant note. Really, as there are, even now, only 40 of them in the whole state we needn't start a panic on account of them, just as present. Probably a good many of them are the playthings of rich city people, who are trying to ape Einglish country life characteristies in highly unEnglish conditions. We needn't worry much about them. They'll get tired of their playthings in time, and the ranches will fall apart into smaller and more useful farms.

do; till every farmer shall know the possibilities of every square inch of his land; till varieties shall have been his land: till varieties shall have been bred up to their highest food value, and productivity fostered till the average acre yield shall have been doubled or quadrupled. Why, over in New York state in 1908 the farmers cut over 4.764,000 acres of land to get 5.717,000 tons of hay,—about a ton and a fifth to the acre. Such a statement is a dead give-away. They mowed too much land for too little. crop. It would sound better and be proof of better farming, if they had cut that same weight from half the number of acres. The rest would have paid quite as well if set to white pine

THE FARMER.

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